EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1974 AMENDMENT

Section 7 of Pub. L. 93–528 provided that: "The amendment made by section 5 of this Act [amending this section] shall not apply to an action in which a notice of appeal to the Supreme Court has been filed on or before the fifteenth day following the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 21, 1974]. Appeal in any such action shall be taken pursuant to the provisions of section 2 of the Act of February 11, 1903 (32 Stat. 823), as amended (15 U.S.C. 29; [former] 49 U.S.C. 45) which were in effect on the day preceding the date of enactment of this Act."

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1948 AMENDMENT

Section 38 of act June 25, 1948, provided that the amendment made by that act is effective Sept. 1, 1948.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1944 AMENDMENT

The last paragraph of act June 9, 1944, provided: "This Act [this section] shall apply to every case pending before the Supreme Court of the United States on the date of its enactment [June 9, 1944]."

SHORT TITLE

Act Feb. 11, 1903, which enacted sections 28 and 29 of this title, is commonly known as the "Expediting Act".

CROSS REFERENCES

Direct appeals from decisions of three-judge courts, see section 1253 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure

Time for appeal to Supreme Court, see section 2101 of Title 28

§ 30. Depositions for use in suits in equity; proceedings open to public

In the taking of depositions of witnesses for use in any suit in equity brought by the United States under sections 1 to 7 of this title, and in the hearings before any examiner or special master appointed to take testimony therein, the proceedings shall be open to the public as freely as are trials in open court; and no order excluding the public from attendance on any such proceedings shall be valid or enforceable.

(Mar. 3, 1913, ch. 114, 37 Stat. 731.)

FEDERAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

Depositions and discovery, see rules 26 to 37, Title 28, Appendix, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

Masters, see rule 53.

One form of action, see rule 2.

Rules as governing the procedure in all suits of a civil nature whether cognizable as cases at law or in equity, see rule 1.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 1312 of this title.

§31. Panama Canal closed to violators of antitrust laws

No vessel permitted to engage in the coastwise or foreign trade of the United States shall be permitted to enter or pass through the Panama Canal if such ship is owned, chartered, operated, or controlled by any person or company which is doing business in violation of the provisions of sections 1 to 11 of this title or of any other Act of Congress amending or supplementing the same. The question of fact may be determined by the judgment of any court of the United States of competent jurisdiction in any cause pending before it to which the owners or opera-

tors of such ship are parties. Suit may be brought by any shipper or by the Attorney General of the United States.

(Aug. 24, 1912, ch. 390, §11, 37 Stat. 567.)

§§ 32, 33. Repealed. Pub. L. 91–452, title II, §§ 209, 210, Oct. 15, 1970, 84 Stat. 929

Section 32, act Feb. 25, 1903, ch. 755, §1, 32 Stat. 904, granted immunity from prosecution to witnesses testifying or producing evidence, documentary or otherwise, in any proceeding, suit, or prosecution under section 1 to 11 of this title. See section 6001 et seq. of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure.

Section 33, act June 30, 1906, ch. 3920, 34 Stat. 798, provided that, under the immunity provisions of former section 32 of this title, immunity was to extend only to a natural person who, in obedience to a subpoena, testified or produced evidence.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective on sixtieth day following Oct. 15, 1970, see section 260 of Pub. L. 91–452, set out as an Effective Date; Savings Provision note under section 6001 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure.

SAVINGS PROVISION

Repeal of sections by Pub. L. 91–452 not to affect any immunity to which any individual was entitled under sections by reason of any testimony given before the sixtieth day following Oct. 15, 1970, see section 260 of Pub. L. 91–452, set out as an Effective Date; Savings Provision note under section 6001 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure.

§ 34. Definitions applicable to sections 34 to 36

For purposes of sections 34 to 36 of this title—
(1) the term "local government" means—

- (A) a city, county, parish, town, township, village, or any other general function governmental unit established by State law, or
- (B) a school district, sanitary district, or any other special function governmental unit established by State law in one or more States.
- (2) the term "person" has the meaning given it in subsection (a) of the first section of the Clayton Act [15 U.S.C. 12(a)], but does not include any local government as defined in paragraph (1) of this section, and
- (3) the term "State" has the meaning given it in section 4G(2) of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. 15g(2)).

(Pub. L. 98–544, §2, Oct. 24, 1984, 98 Stat. 2750.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 6 of Pub. L. 98-544 provided that: "This Act [enacting this section, sections 35 and 36 of this title, and provisions set out as a note under section 1 of this title] shall take effect thirty days before the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 24, 1984]."

§ 35. Recovery of damages, etc., for antitrust violations from any local government, or official or employee thereof acting in an official capacity

(a) Prohibition in general

No damages, interest on damages, costs, or attorney's fees may be recovered under section 4, 4A, or 4C of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. 15, 15a, or 15c) from any local government, or official or employee thereof acting in an official capacity.

(b) Preconditions for attachment of prohibition; prima facie evidence for nonapplication of prohibition

Subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to cases commenced before the effective date of this Act unless the defendant establishes and the court determines, in light of all the circumstances, including the stage of litigation and the availability of alternative relief under the Clayton Act, that it would be inequitable not to apply this subsection to a pending case. In consideration of this section, existence of a jury verdict, district court judgment, or any stage of litigation subsequent thereto, shall be deemed to be prima facie evidence that subsection (a) of this section shall not apply.

(Pub. L. 98-544, §3, Oct. 24, 1984, 98 Stat. 2750.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For the effective date of this Act, referred to in subsec. (b), see Effective Date note below.

The Clayton Act, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b), is act Oct. 15, 1914, ch. 323, 38 Stat. 730, as amended, which is classified generally to sections 12, 13, 14 to 19, 20, 21, and 22 to 27 of this title and to sections 52 and 53 of Title 29, Labor. For further details and complete classification of this Act to the Code, see References in Text note set out under section 12 of this title and Tables.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective thirty days before Oct. 24, 1984, see section 6 of Pub. L. 98–544, set out as a note under section 34 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 34 of this title.

§ 36. Recovery of damages, etc., for antitrust violations on claim against person based on official action directed by local government, or official or employee thereof acting in an official capacity

(a) Prohibition in general

No damages, interest on damages, costs or attorney's fees may be recovered under section 4, 4A, or 4C of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. 15, 15a, or 15c) in any claim against a person based on any official action directed by a local government, or official or employee thereof acting in an official capacity.

(b) Nonapplication of prohibition for cases commenced before effective date of provisions

Subsection (a) of this section shall not apply with respect to cases commenced before the effective date of this Act.

(Pub. L. 98-544, §4, Oct. 24, 1984, 98 Stat. 2750.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For effective date of this Act, referred to in subsec. (b), see Effective Date note below.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective thirty days before Oct. 24, 1984, see section 6 of Pub. L. 98–544, set out as a note under section 34 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 34 of this title.

§ 37. Modification of antitrust laws

(a) Exempt conduct

Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, it shall not be unlawful under any of the

antitrust laws, or under a State law similar to any of the antitrust laws, for 2 or more persons described in section 501(c)(3) of title 26 that are exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of title 26 to use, or to agree to use, the same annuity rate for the purpose of issuing 1 or more charitable gift annuities.

(b) Limitation

Subsection (a) of this section shall not apply with respect to the enforcement of a State law similar to any of the antitrust laws, with respect to conduct described in subsection (a) of this section occurring after the State enacts a statute, not later than 3 years after December 8, 1995, that expressly provides that subsection (a) of this section shall not apply with respect to such conduct.

(Pub. L. 104–63, §2, Dec. 8, 1995, 109 Stat. 687.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

For definition of "antitrust laws", referred to in text, see section 37a(2) of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 4 of Pub. L. 104-63 provided that: "This Act [enacting this section, section 37a of this title, and provisions set out as a note under section 1 of this title] shall apply with respect to conduct occurring before, on, or after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 8, 1995]."

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 37a of this title.

§ 37a. Definitions

For purposes of this section and section 37 of this title:

(1) Annuity rate

The term "annuity rate" means the percentage of the fair market value of a gift (determined as of the date of the gift) given in exchange for a charitable gift annuity, that represents the amount of the annual payment to be made to 1 or 2 annuitants over the life of either or both under the terms of the agreement to give such gift in exchange for such annuity.

(2) Antitrust laws

The term "antitrust laws" has the meaning given it in subsection (a) of section 12 of this title, except that such term includes section 45 of this title to the extent that such section 45 applies to unfair methods of competition.

(3) Charitable gift annuity

The term "charitable gift annuity" has the meaning given it in section 501(m)(5) of title 26.

(4) Person

The term "person" has the meaning given it in subsection (a) of section 12 of this title.

(5) State

The term "State" has the meaning given it in section 15g(2) of this title.

(Pub. L. 104-63, §3, Dec. 8, 1995, 109 Stat. 687.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable with respect to conduct occurring before, on, or after Dec. 8, 1995, see section 4 of Pub. L. 104-63, set out as a note under section 37 of this title.